



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Robert J. Beletsky  
Title: IMPROVED BUCKLES WITH OVERRIDING LOCK  
Serial No.: 09/370,388  
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Docket: 01-0941-556

Date: May 24, 2001

Box Response to Non-Compliant Amendment  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find:

- ✓ Acknowledgement Postcard
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- ✓ Supplement to Amendment C Filed April 19, 2001
- ✓ Copy of Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment

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Respectfully submitted,

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**Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121)**

The amendment filed on 4.21.01 is considered non-compliant because it has not been submitted in the format required under 37 CFR 1.121, as amended on September 8, 2000 (see 65 Fed. Reg. 54603, Sept. 8, 2000, and 1238 O.G. 77, Sept. 19, 2000).

- ☒ 1. The amendment does not include a clean version of the replacement paragraph(s)/section(s). 37 CFR 1.121(b)(1)(ii).
- ☐ 2. The amendment does not include a marked-up version of the replacement paragraph(s)/section(s). 37 CFR 1.121(b)(1)(iii).
- ☐ 3. The amendment does not include a clean version of the amended claim(s). 37 CFR 1.121(c)(1)(i).
- ☐ 4. The amendment does not include a marked-up version of the amended claim(s). 37 CFR 1.121(c)(1)(ii).
- ☐ 5. Other \_\_\_\_\_

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☐ **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT:** Unless applicant re-submits the preliminary amendment in compliance with revised 37 CFR 1.121 within ONE MONTH of the mail date of this letter, examination on the merits may commence without entry of the originally proposed preliminary amendment. This notice is not an action under 35 U.S.C. 132, and this ONE MONTH time limit is not extendable.

☒ **AMENDMENT AFTER NON-FINAL ACTION:** Since the above mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

For your convenience, attached to this correspondence is a copy of an informational flyer (MPEP Bookmark Bulletin on "Simplified Amendment Practice").

E. J. Cantale  
Legal Instruments Examiner

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